



Disabilities Awareness Month
2019



SEAC Chair Report

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SEAC Chair Report



- **Annual Report to the LCPS School Board – in progress**
 - Overall Decrease in Satisfaction
 - Maintaining Focus on Previous Areas of Need with Additions
- Ad Hoc Committee on Equity – Dr. Amy Elledge
 - Next Meeting October 3, at 5:30
- LCPS School Board Proclamation for Disability History and Awareness Month
- Dyslexia Awareness Month
- Bias in LLI Reading Materials and Equitable Access to Books
- State SEAC Annual Report Recommendations
- Subcommittee Formation

State SEAC Annual Report to the Virginia Board of Education

Recommendations

- Continue efforts to address the teacher, staff, and other professional support shortages, by exploring available funding resources and partnerships.
- Create additional, more advanced modules for dyslexia, dysgraphia, and other specific learning disabilities; consider more in-depth annual training.
- Finalize the *Regulations Governing the Use of Seclusion and Restraint in Public Elementary and Secondary Schools in Virginia* and ensure adequate training for school divisions and families, on the content, once the regulations are adopted.
- Update best practice guidance documents and provide training for local SEACs. Share existing resources and involve the State SEAC in collaboration with the VDOE for training and follow-up.
- Revise the current Parent's Guide to Special Education and develop various versions including video and multi-modal formats.
- As a follow-up to the Critical Decision Points guide and training, enhance opportunities for family engagement by developing an online module/companion video for parents to learn more about their rights.

SEAC Subcommittee Formation



SEAC Members Need to Choose A Committee for November's Meeting

- **Policy & Compliance-** Proactively review policies and practices to make specific recommendations for SEAC to vote on and then forward to the School Board. Review consistency across the school division in implementation of supports and services.
- **Executive Functioning:** Discipline, social skills, mental health
- **Specialized Programs/Services:** Related services, career/transition, twice Exceptional, specialized reading instruction, intensive autism and behavior programs.
- **Climate:** Transparency, trust, empowering IEP teams, communication

Reports, Updates and Announcements

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Executive Committee

- Membership,
- Communications,
- Planning,
- Secretary, and
- Past-Chair

Parent Resource Services

Leanne Kidwell (Educator) & Pamala Spiering (Parent)

School Board Liaison

Chris Croll

Pupil Services and the Office of Special Education

Restraint and Seclusion Report, Dr. Asia Jones

Credit Accommodations, Dr. Patricia Nelson

Membership Report



- Currently 41 LCPS schools are represented by a PTA/PTO Representative
- 13 current SEAC members
- 1 membership application approved by the Executive Committee and submitted to the School Board for appointment
- 8 open membership positions

Communication

Accounts have been updated for consistency!



Social Media	Previous	Current
Facebook	loudounseac	loudounseac
Twitter	@lcps_seac	@loudounseac
Wiki	lcpsseac.miraheze.org	loudounseac.miraheze.org

Communication

Draft Meeting Planning Checklist:

https://loudounseac.miraheze.org/wiki/Meeting_Checklist

- SEAC members are obligated to comply with VA's FOIA.
- Write an agenda for your meeting. The agenda must contain the time and place of the meeting
- Email to Vice Chair of Communications 5 days in advance of meeting for coordination with LCPS and posting
- Agenda must be publicly posted 3 days in advance
- Keep meeting minutes and submit to be posted
- Decisions made by the subcommittee must be made by open vote and documented.



UPCOMING SEAC MEETINGS:

Executive Committee

October 21 (Mon), 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Panera on Greenway Corporate Drive

SEAC Business Meeting

November 6 (Wed), 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Review of Annual Report

Dyslexia – Early Identification

LCPS Administration Building

MSACC Joint Presentation and Panel Discussion

Discipline Disproportionality, Part 1

November 20 (Wed), 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
LCPS Administration Building



UPCOMING SEAC MEETINGS:

Executive Committee

November 18 (Mon), 6:00-7:30 p.m.
Panera on Greenway Corporate Drive

SEAC Business Meeting

December 4 (Wed), 6:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Presentation:

Mental Health, Bullying and School Refusal

Presented by Dr. Jonathan Dalton, Center for Anxiety and Behavioral Change

LCPS Administration Building

7:15 - 8:30 p.m.



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Business



Policy Committee Policy Review

- Proposed Policy 8040:
Nondiscrimination on the Basis of Disability for
all Students
- Proposed Policy 5340:
Disciplinary Procedures for Students with
Disabilities



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Thank you!

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